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## **Statement of the Maryland Attorney General Regarding the Rise in Violence Against Asian Americans**

**BALTIMORE, MD** - “As details continue to unfold, one thing is clear: the tragic shootings in Atlanta are appalling and frightening. We condemn the senseless gun violence that took the lives of these innocent victims and pray for their families and loved ones. While it has not been confirmed as an instance of race-based violence, we must not be silent about the alarming trend of attacks on Asian-Americans. Race-based hate should not be tolerated anywhere, and will not be tolerated here in Maryland. For anyone who has suffered or witnessed anti-Asian, race or ethnic related threats, violence, harassment, or other incidents, report it to the police.

Race-based aggression and violence is un-American and against the law. We can only stop it by taking a stand against it.”

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